



TOWN OF BUCKEYE
Fire Department

Re: Fire Station 703: Grant Status Update

June 22, 2010

This letter is to provide an update on the status of the \$3.5 million in federal stimulus grant monies the Buckeye Fire Department received to build a new fire station in the Verrado neighborhood. The Department has been strategically working with FEMA Officials to provide all necessary budgetary requirements, construction documents, and/or studies since receiving the notice of award.

At the requirement of FEMA, the Town is completing a National Environmental Protection Act (NEPA) Study which specifically addresses any potential environment concerns on the future site of the fire station. The project has been underway since April and is currently on schedule with an anticipated completion date of September.

Upon completion of the NEPA Study, the Town feels this is the final component FEMA will require prior to releasing funds for construction. If approved, the construction bid process can begin and the Department will anticipate a ground breaking ceremony by the end of 2010.

The Buckeye Fire Department will continue to maintain communications with Verrado residents with updates to the construction schedule. We are very excited about this project and look forward seeing it come to fruition. The new station is strategically positioned to protect the community and provide a safe working environment. If you have questions, please do not hesitate to contact me. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Bob Costello,
Fire Chief